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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1382

essential businesses; firearms; ammunition; sales

Purpose

Prohibits restrictions from being imposed on a store's normal operations during a state of emergency if the store sells firearms, ammunition or components of either.

Background

Statute allows the Governor to proclaim a state of emergency in an area affected or likely to be affected if the Governor finds that the circumstances that define a state of emergency exist. A *state of emergency* means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons or property within Arizona caused by air pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, earthquake or other causes, except those resulting in a state of war emergency, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of any single county, city or town, and which require the combined efforts of the state and the political subdivision (A.R.S. §§ [26-301](#) and [26-303](#)).

The emergency powers of the Governor, the Adjutant General or any other official or person do not allow the imposition of additional restrictions on the lawful possession, transfer, sale, transportation, carrying, storage, display or use of firearms or ammunition or components of either ([A.R.S. § 26-303](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Prohibits restrictions from being imposed on a store's normal operations during a state of emergency if the store sells firearms or ammunition, or components of either, and deems such store an essential business.
2. Makes technical changes.
3. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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